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Just wanted to voice the opinion of many of our viewers here in the Capitol city of Hartford, CT.

The Proposal for software seems much better. It would allow students at an earlier age to get used to using another operating system shared by many companies - not just one.

As an activist in my community regarding technology issues, we feel that it is extremely important to get the actual machines in the hands of the students. Software can be donated a lot easier than the machines themselves.

This proposal that would allow Microsoft to charge for the software is an extreme disgrace to our judicial system. They end up with a whole lot more paying customers when they would like to renew their software in five years, and in the long run, that would pay off big-time for them. The whole point here is a punishment/settlement - not guaranteeing future sales of their operating system at the expense of our childrens education.

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